WILLIAM YORK—HEIRS OF

To accompany bill H. R. No. 669.

JANUARY 10, 1857.

Mr. Broom, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of the heirs of William York, ask leave to report:

That it appears that William York in his life-time petitioned Congress for relief, and that at the first session of the 26th Congress the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions of the House of Representatives reported a bill allowing him a pension for one year's service as a captain in the line. That the bill did not pass at that session, however. That William York died on July 14, 1837, leaving a widow, Ailsey York, who also died on July 7, 1839. And that now the case is presented on the petition of Josiah C. York, his son, in behalf of himself and Margaret Lacey, (widow,) Letty Horse, Elizabeth Philpot, (widow,) and Delilah Philpot, (widow)—the only surviving children.

The original evidence presented, upon which the committee reported a bill at the first session of the 26th Congress, consisted of the declaration of William York and the affidavits of Colonel James Blair, a revolutionary officer, and of Solomon Geren, a revolutionary pensioner, who served under Captain William York, and of General John Brown.

On examining this evidence it appears that William York served at different periods from the year 1777 to the fall of 1781, considerably more than two years, as a captain of a troop of horse, under various commanding officers, and in different regiments.

In addition, however, to the declaration and affidavits upon which was based the action of the committee of the 26th Congress, there is now produced record proof from the rolls in the comptroller's office of North Carolina, fully establishing more than two years' service.

The committee are of opinion that the children are entitled to the pension, and herewith report a bill for their relief.

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